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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
ISAO KARUB ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 09/749,998 :
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DNA WITH PROBE PNA :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Communication mailed March 16, 2001, Applicants submit herewith a Sequence Listing. Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 22 (Abstract), after the last line, beginning on a new page, please insert the attached Sequence Listing.